(b) No; the latter part of the question does not arise.

(c) No; the latter part of the question does not arise.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (b).

(e) Rs. 31,300.

Desilting of Tanks at Belgaum

Q.—1089. Sri B. R. SUNTHANKAR (Belgaum City).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether they are aware of the immediate necessity of desilting of the three irrigation tanks at Belgaum, *viz.*, Fort tank, Jakheena Hond tank and Shahapur tank are very much silted reducing their water-holding capacity to a great extent;

(b) whether they are aware that some portion of the Jakheena Hond tank, which is silted, is being given for cultivation for the last several years;

(c) whether they are aware that it should not be given for cultivation as it is an irrigation tank?

A.—Sri M. P. PATIL (Minister for Revenue).—

(a) No. Water holding capacity has been reduced by about 3 m. c.ft. in the case of Jakkeena Honda tank while the silting of the Fort tank and Kapleshwar tank (Shahpur tank) is almost below the sill level and the water holding capacity cannot therefore be said to have been reduced to a great extent.

(b) Yes.

(c) The tank bed has been leased for growing Rabi crop subject to the condition that lessees should vacate the land at any time when asked to do so without claiming compensation, when required by the P.W. Department for desilting the tank. As desilting has been dropped, it is considesed not necessary to stop giving the land for cultivation.

Grants from the Central Government for Civil Works

Q.—1308. Sri M. BASAVE GOWDA (Chikmagalur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the total amount of grants from the Government of India towards civil works for the year 1956-57;

(b) the amount utilised and the reasons for not utilising the same in full?

A.—Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH (Minister for Public Works).—

(a) Rs. 55,81,100.

(b) (i) Rs. 44,16,343.

(ii) Time taken by the Government of India to communicate a decision regarding the permanent alignment of West Coast Road, adjustment of cost of materials and also delay in the settlement of balance rates for metal collection.

Number of Sub-division and Executive Officers in the new Mysore State

Q.—1806. Sri KUNDUR RUDRAPPA (Channagiri).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of Sub-Division Officers and Executive Officers in the new Mysore State;

(b) the monthly expenditure incurred by them towards payment of salaries to these officers;

(c) whether they proposed to abolish Sub-Divisions?

A.—Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—

(a) There are 44 Assistant Commissioners working as Sub-Division Officers; they are also *ex-officio* Project Executive Officers of NES/C.D. Blocks located in their jurisdiction.

(b) Rs. 26,600 p.m.

(c) No.